(8) The city clerk shall act as secretary to the Civil Secretary. Service Board and shall keep the minutes of its meetings and shall be custodian of all papers and records pertaining to the business of said board and shall keep a record of all examinations held and shall perform such other duties as the board may require.

(9) The city council shall provide suitable rooms for the Office space. Civil Service Board and shall provide sufficient reasonable use of public buildings for holding examinations of said board as may be necessary.

(10) The members of said Civil Service Board shall serve No compensation. without compensation. Construction

(11) Nothing in this Act shall be so construed as to deprive the city council of its control of the finances of said city.

Application of provisions of section.

of section.

(12) The provisions of this Civil Service section shall not apply to the chief of the fire department or the chief of the police department, and the provisions of this section shall not apply to a member of the police or fire department until he has been a member of his respective department for at least six months and during such six months probation or trial period he shall be subject to discharge by the chief of such department under rules promulgated with respect thereto, such rules to be approved by the city council as aforesaid. And said board shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from decisions made by the chiefs of the respective departments.

Taxation

SEC. 50. It shall be the power of the City of Charlotte Taxation. and the duty of the Council of the City of Charlotte, annually, to levy taxes that will raise sufficient funds for the operation and management of the affairs of the city, and shall levy and collect the same in accordance with the provisions as now or may hereafter exist under the General Laws of the State of North Carolina; and said city have the Additional taxes further power to levy and collect such further taxes as may be approved by a vote of the electorate, and in accordance with such authority with respect thereto as may now or hereafter be granted to said city; provided all polls and property taxable within the City of Charlotte shall be listed and valued and all property assessed as provided for in the listing, valuation and assessing of the same under the laws which may now or hereafter be applicable to Mecklenburg County and/or the City of Charlotte, and said city may levy and collect such license and privilege taxes as may be License and provided by law and ordinances of the city council.

upon approval by electorate.

Annual tax levy for operation and

management.

Listing and assessment of property.

privilege taxes.

Valorem taxes.

(1) That the ad valorem taxes levied by the City of Lien of Ad Charlotte shall constitute a lien upon personal and real